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SUBJECT: BULGARIAN PRESIDENT ZHIVKOV VISITS TUNISIA

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1. BULGARIAN CHIEF OF STATE TODOR ZHIVKOV VISITED TUNISIA FROM OCTOBER 12 TO 16, TAKING PART IN NORMAL ROUND OF STATE FUNCTIONS PLUS PARTICIPATION WITH GOT PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA IN CEREMONY MARKING 12TH ANNIVERSARY OF EVACUATION FRENCH FORCES FROM BIZERTE. JOINT COMMUNIQUE COVERED MANY POINTS, THE MOST IMPORTANT OF WHICH WERE SUPPORTED FOR CONTINUED DETENTE AND SOVIET PROPOSAL TO 30TH UNGA FOR ARMS CONTROL, RECONVENING OF GENEVA CONFERENCE ON THE MIDDLE EAST WITH FULL PARTICIPATION BY PLO, AND SUPPORT FOR DECISIONS ADOPTED BY 6TH AND 7TH UN SPECIAL SESSIONS WHICH CONTRIBUTE TO ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY. THE TWO PRESIDENTS ALSO SIGNED FIVE AGREEMENTS, ALL APPARENTLY OF MINOR IMPORTANCE. BOURGUIBA ACCEPTED INVITATION BY ZHIVKOV TO VISIT BULGARIA WITH THE TIMING TO BE SET LATER.

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2. COMMENT: THIS STATE VISIT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN
CONDUCTED IN SPIRIT OF TUNISIA'S INTEREST IN MAINTAINING
NON-ALIGNED IMAGE. JOINT COMMUNIQUE WITH BULGARIA
AFFORDED OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS PRINCIPLES HELD IN COMMON
WITH STATE SQUARELY IN SOVIET BLOC. SUBSTANCE OF
TUNISO-BULGAR RELATIONS, HOWEVER, IS NOT GREAT AND PROSPECTS
FOR THEIR REINFORCEMENT AND EXTENSION DO NOT APPEAR ANY
GREATER. END COMMENT.
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